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In re application of: Grosch et al.

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Examiner: Wood, E.

For: SUSPENSIONS OF MULTIMETAL CYANIDE COMPOUNDS,  
THEIR PREPARATION AND THEIR USE

Docket No. 7331

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop RCE**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
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Dear Sir:

The subject Preliminary Amendment is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and in response to the Official Action from the Examiner dated March 26, 2003, Paper No. 26. Please preliminarily amend the claims as follows and consider the accompanying remarks. Additionally, a version of the claims as originally filed having necessary markings to show the changes made is attached at end as required under 37 CFR § 1.121.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 1 with the following:

1. (Thrice Amended) A catalyst suspension for the ring-opening polymerization of alkylene oxides, comprising

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